



New French Ambassador to Bangladesh Alain Briottet called on Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina in the city yesterday. Briottet, a career diplomat, presented his credentials to President Shahabuddin Ahmed last month after succeeding his predecessor Renee Veyret. — AFP photo

French envoy calls on PM

The newly appointed Ambassador of France to Bangladesh, Alain Briottet, yesterday called on Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina at her Ganobhaban official residence, reports BSS.

Briottet told the Prime Minister that very friendly and cordial relations exist between Bangladesh and France.

The French envoy said Bangladesh enjoys a very good name and fame among the French people.

A number of French projects are going on in Bangladesh as his country is a good development partner of Bangladesh, he said.

Welcoming the new ambassador, the Prime Minister recalled with gratitude the support of France during the crucial hours of the country's War of Liberation.

She also noted with deep appreciation the help and assistance provided by France during the country's last devastating floods.

Khaleda visits 3 leaders at BIRDEM Hospital

By Staff Correspondent

BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia visited three ailing leaders of her party at BIRDEM Hospital in the city last night.

The three leaders are joint secretary general Prof M A Mannan, president of Gaibandha district unit Sheikh Samad Azad and general secretary of Gazipur district unit M Abu Taher.

They have been suffering from various diseases and undergoing treatment at the hospital for the last few days, said press release.

Among others, BNP leaders Shahjahan Siraj, Amanullah Aman, MP, Nazimuddin Alam MP, Fazlul Haq Milan, Lokman Hossain, Bhuiyan, Moulana Shah M Nesarul Haq, Roushan Ara Farida and Rehana Akhter Ranu accompanied the party chief during the visit.

UNICEF appeals for \$230m to help children

As part of a coordinated UN effort, UNICEF is requesting for 229.5 million dollar from donor nations to deliver vital services to children and women in 16 countries or territories caught in armed conflict and natural disaster, reports BSS.

UNICEF Executive Director Carol Bellamy made the appeal internationally as humanitarianism is threatening the lives and future of the most needy children and women in the developing world.

The UNICEF effort targeted to render services to extreme poverty-stricken women and children for their immunization, resumption of schooling, trauma counseling and HIV/AIDS care, said a UNICEF press release yesterday.



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The conference is jointly organized by Poribesh Raksha Sopoth, Bangladesh Environment Network, Coalition of Environmental NGOs and BUET.

The main purpose of the conference is to bring different sections of the society together and to initiate a broad based movement to protect Bangladesh's environment.

The organisers will also hold a rally at the Shishu Academy at 9 am on December 31 to raise awareness about the environmental hazards.

JCD founding anniversary Jan 1

By DU Correspondent

The 21st founding anniversary of Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD), the student organisation of opposition BNP, will be observed on Saturday.

JCD chalked out elaborate programmes to observe the day in a befitting manner, said a JCD press release yesterday.

The programmes included hoisting of national and organisation flags at the party office at 6 am, placing wreaths at the mazar of late president Ziaur Rahman at 9 am and courtesy call on the BNP Chairperson and Leader of the Opposition Begum Khaleda Zia at 6 pm.

JP protest rally in city

By Staff Correspondent

Jatiya Party (JP) yesterday brought out a procession and held a rally in front of its party office in the city as part of its countrywide demonstration against the government to protest the repression of opposition activists across the country.

At the rally, the leaders also protested the incident in which one person was killed and over 100 others were injured during a clash between the All Party Action Committee (APAC) and the law enforcing agencies in Sylhet on Saturday, said a press release.

JP vice-chairman and city unit acting president Syed Abu Hossain Babla presided over the rally which was addressed by Toyebur Rahman, Anwar Hossain, Abdus Sabur Masud, Zahurul Islam Zahir, Prof. Iqbal Hossain Razu, Kamrul Ahsan Sajal, Nurul Islam Nuru and Rezaul Islam.

Condemning the killing and police attack on APAC procession, Babla said that the incident was nothing but a heinous act of a "puppet and autocrat" government.

The JP leader demanded of the government to quit and announce an early general election immediately as, what he said, it had totally failed to run the country.

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